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Intimations.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

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By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,  
Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
Hongkong, February 20, 1888. 282

BANK HOLIDAYS.

HONGKONG RACES.

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NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

M. R. GROTE has THIS DAY been Admitted a PARTNER in our Firm, CHATER & VERNON.

Hongkong, January 1, 1888. 5

NOTICE.

WE have Closed the Poochow Branch of our Firm on the 31st ultmo., and Transferred our Business at that port to Mr. GUSTAV SIEMSEN.

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, January 23, 1888.

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I HAVE THIS DAY ESTABLISHED MYSELF at the post as MERCHANT and COMMERCIAL AGENT under the Name and Style of G. SIEMSEN.

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The Review department receives special attention, and endeavours are made to present a careful and concise record of Literature on China, etc., and to give critiques embodying sketches of the most recent works on such topics. Authors and Publishers are requested to forward works to "Editor, China Review," care of China Mail Office.

The Notes and Queries are still continued and form an important means of obtaining from and diffusing among students knowledge on obscure points.

The Correspondents' column also affords further and greater facilities for the interchange of views and discussion of various topics.

Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, or any of the Modern Languages are received. The papers are contributed by the members of the various Consular, the Imperial Customs, and Hongkong Services, and also by the Missionary bodies amongst whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is assiduously cultivated. Amongst the regular contributors are Drs. Grahams, Eitel, Brotzschner, and Hirth, Professor Legge, and Messrs. Balfour, Watterson, Sten, Phillips, McNeel, Groot, Jamieson, Faber, Kopisch, Parker, Puyatay, Giles, Pilon, and Taylor—all well-known names, indicative of sound scholarship and thorough mastery of their subject.

The Subscription is fixed at £6.50 per annum, postage included—payable in advance.

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OPINIONS OF THE PRESS.

"All our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and enterprising Review."—Northern Christian Advocate (U.S.)

"The China Review" \* \* \* has an excellent table of contents.—Celestial Empire.

"The Publication always contains subjects of interest to sojourners in the Far East, and the present issue will hold favourable if not advantageous comparison with preceding numbers."—Celestial Empire.

"This number contains several articles of interest and value.—North-China Herald."

"The China Review for September-October fully maintains the high standard of excellence which characterizes that publication, and altogether forms a very interesting and readable number. Its contents will find many interesting and valuable contribution by Dr. Frikache, on "The Art of Precipitation (Yian and Snow) of Peking," showing the results of observations made at the Imperial Research Observatory at Peking from 1841 to 1850. "The Northern Dutch Occupation of Formosa" by Mr. Geo. Phillips, contains some interesting information, although much of it is second-hand. The Notice of New Books include a most interesting and appreciative review of "The Divine Classic of Nan-Hua," and the Notes and Queries are as usual very interesting.—North-China Daily News."

"A substantial and reliable Review which all students of China and the Chinese would do well to patronize.—Chrysanthemum."

"The China Review" December number of the China Review contains less variety than usual, but the few articles are very interesting. The opening paper by Mr. Herbert A. Giles on "The New Testament in Chinese" treats of a question that must necessarily be of great importance in the eyes of all missionaries. . . . Mr. E. H. Parker's "Short Journeys in Szechuan" are continued, and a goodly instalment of those travels in the interior of China is given. Mr. F. H. Balfour contributes a paper of some length entitled "The Emperor Cheng, founder of the Chinese Empire," which will be read with genuine interest by students of Chinese history. A few short notices of New Books and number of Notes and Queries, one of which—"On Chinese Crafts in Western Borneo and Java" might appropriately have been placed under a separate heading, complete the number.—H. K. Daily Press."

"Trubner's Oriental Record" contains the following notice of the China Review:—The present publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighbouring countries, some what similar to that which has been filled in India by the Calcutta Review. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publicity as this now provided extremely desirable; and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular service, the Chinese Customs' corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated.

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## Intimations.

## WINTER TIME TABLE.

## THE KOWLOON FERRY.

## STEAM LAUNCH

## MORNING STAR

RUNS DAILY AS A FERRY BOAT BETWEEN PEDDAR'S WHARF AND TAI-TEH-TEUH AT THE FOLLOWING HOURS.—THIS TIME TABLE WILL TAKE EFFECT FROM THE 17TH OCTOBER, 1887.

WEEK DAYS . . . . . SUNDAYS . . . . .

Leaves K'loon, Leaves K'loon, Leaves K'loon, Leaves K'loon, Leaves K'loon, Leaves K'loon.

6.00 A.M. 7.00 A.M. 8.00 A.M. 9.00 A.M. 10.00 A.M. 11.00 A.M. 12.00 P.M. 1.00 P.M. 2.00 P.M. 3.00 P.M. 4.00 P.M. 5.00 P.M. 6.00 P.M. 7.00 P.M.

8.30 7.30 8.00 9.00 10.30 11.00 12.30 1.30 2.30 3.30 4.15 5.10 6.15 6.30 7.00

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